

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

STEVENS, Fred J. et al.

Application:

"DEVICE FOR DETECTING MOLECULES, METHOD FOR

**DETECTING MOLECULES**"

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Official Action dated May 5, 2003 be extended three (3) month to November 5, 2003.

The statutory fee for this extension (\$475.00) is included in the enclosed check for the amendment fee. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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